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In re Application of: Boettcher et al.

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Group: (Unknowns)

Title: TUNABLE DISPERSION  
COMPENSATING BANDWIDTH DEVICE  
FOR FIBER OPTICS SYSTEM

Examiner: (Unknown)

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is a Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents.

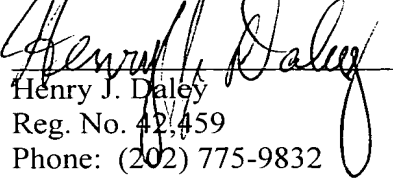
This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within the 3 months of  
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with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been  
omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under  
Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early Action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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